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Estimates of revenue and expenditure for the financial year 2025 – Section I – European Parliament

- Exchange of views with DGs
- Consideration of draft report

After the first exchange of views on 29 February 2024 with the Vice-Presidents of the Parliament responsible for the budget, Mr Silva Pereira and Mr Wieland, and with the Secretary-General of the Parliament, Mr Chiocchetti, Members will hear from the Directors-General of DG FINS, DG INLO, DG ITEC and DG COMM about their priorities in the proposal on the Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure for 2025, followed by an exchange of views.

Subsequently, the Rapporteur will present her draft report on the Parliament's estimates of revenue and expenditure for the year 2025 to the Members of the committee.

Rapporteurs: Anna-Michelle Asimakopoulou (PPE)

Shadows:

Nils Ušakovs (S&D) Fabienne Keller (Renew) Francisco Guerreiro (Greens/EFA) Bogdan Rzońca (ECR) Joachim Kuhs (ID) Younous Omarjee (The Left)

Deadline for tabling amendments: 14 March, 12.00

Adoption in BUDG: 22 April 2024

Plenary: April 2024

Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions in budget 2024 and 2025

The Rapporteurs for the 2024 and 2025 budgets – Mr Mureşan and Mr Negrescu—will present their working document on pilot projects and preparatory actions (PP-PAs), followed by an exchange of views. The working document reflects on the planned implementation of PP-PAs in the 2024 budget and examines the procedure and priorities for the 2025 budget. PP-PAs enable funds to be spent within the EU budget to test new policy initiatives and lay the ground for future Union actions.

Co-Rapporteurs:

Victor Negrescu (S&D) Siegfried Mureşan (EPP)

Shadows for the 2025 budget:

Andrzej Halicki (EPP)
Katalin Cseh (Renew)
Francisco Guerreiro (Greens/EFA)
Bogdan Rzońca (ECR)
Joachim Kuhs (ID)
Dimitrios Papadimoulis (The Left)

Draft amending budget no 1 to the general budget 2024

- Presentation by the Commission of the Draft amending budget no 1 to the general budget 2024
- Presentation by the Commission of the legislative changes following the MFF revision

Following adoption of the revised MFF regulation, on 29 February 2024 the European Commission put forward:

- a) a draft amending budget to incorporate the changes stemming from the MFF revision into the 2024 budget; and
- b) two legislative proposals to translate the necessary changes to specific programme envelopes stemming from the MFF revision into law.

The European Commission will present both the draft amending budget and the legislative proposals, which it would like to see adopted before the election recess.

Rapporteur:

Siegfried Mureşan (PPE)

Shadows:

Victor Negrescu (S&D)
Fabienne Keller (Renew)
Rasmus Andresen (Greens/EFA)
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Dimitrios Papadimoulis (The Left)

*** VOTING TIME ***

Guidelines for the 2025 Budget - Section III



The Committee will vote on the report on the guidelines for the preparation of next year's budget, drawn up by the general rapporteur for the 2025 Budget, Victor Negrescu (S&D).

The report sets out the Committee's priorities going into the procedure for adoption of the 2025 budget, which it considers should be

people-centred and offer better opportunities to all EU citizens. The budget will also have to be instrumental in supporting the EU's established policies, cater for new and emerging strategic priorities and retain some capacity to react to unforeseen developments. The report also underlines that the 2025 budget procedure will be marked by a general scarcity of margins and flexibility while taking place in an election year and amid high international tensions. Finally, the 2025 budget will be the first one under the revised 2021-2027 MFF, including the new mechanism for financing the EURI repayment costs.

The Guidelines are also intended to be a point of reference for the EP position in the spring trilogue with the Commission and the Council and in the further procedure.

Rapporteur:

Victor Negrescu (S&D)

Shadows:

Andrzej Halicki (EPP)
Katalin Cseh (Renew)
Francisco Guerreiro (Greens/EFA)
Bogdan Rzońca (ECR)
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Dimitrios Papadimoulis (The Left)

Exchange of views on draft report: 24 January 2024

Deadline for tabling amendments:

1 February 2024 - 12.00

Adoption in BUDG: 4 March 2024

Plenary: March 2024

Re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals

Members of the BUDG Committee will vote on the draft opinion in the form of a letter covering three legislative proposals from the Commission: proposals for a Regulation on the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals, for a Directive on the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks to the European Chemicals Agency and for a Regulation establishing a common data platform on chemicals.

Rapporteur:

Johan Van Overtveldt (Chair)

Adoption in BUDG: 4 March 2024

The general objectives of these proposals, which form the so-called 'one substance, one assessment' package, are to streamline the assessments of chemicals across EU legislation, to strengthen the knowledge base on chemicals and to ensure early detection and action on emerging chemical risks.

According to the legislative financial statement accompanying the proposals, the package will require an additional budget of roughly EUR 33 million until 2027, 18 additional Temporary Agents and 23 additional contractual agents by 2027 for four agencies (ECHA, EEA, EFSA and EMA). Most of the additional budget will be offset by a reduction in the LIFE programme. Given the fact that the LIFE programme is a priority of the Parliament and that most of the agencies concerned are partially fee-financed, this file deserves special attention to prevent any further undue carve-out of the LIFE programme.

In the event of new evidence or changes to this approach introduced by the co-legislators during the negotiations, the Committee on Budgets stands ready to assess the potential budgetary consequences.

2024 Budget: Section III - Commission

Rapporteur:

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- No transfer request

2024 Budget: Other Sections 2024

Rapporteur:

Nils Ušakovs (S&D)

Shadows:

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Bogdan Rzońca (ECR)
Joachim Kuhs (ID)
Younous Omarjee (The Left)

- No transfer request

Building Policy

Rapporteur:

Olivier Chastel (Renew)

Shadows:

Monika Hohlmeier (EPP) Nils Ušakovs (S&D) Rasmus Andresen (Greens/EFA) Bogdan Rzońca (ECR) Joachim Kuhs (ID) Younous Omarjee (The Left)

- No building request

***** END OF VOTE *****

NEXT MEETINGS

11 March 2024 - Joint AFET-BUDG meeting (Strasbourg) (tbc) 11 March 2024 - Joint BUDG-CULT meeting (Strasbourg) 18-19 March 2024 - BUDG meeting

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Implementation figures

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Recent publications

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- Study "The impacts of recent inflation developments on the EU finances"
- Briefing <u>"ITER financing by the EU budget state-of-play"</u>
- Briefing "An estimate of the European Union's long-term borrowing cost bill"
- Briefing "Gender budgeting in the Member States"
- At a Glance "Options for a stronger and more agile EU budget"
- Study "Options for a stronger and more agile EU budget"
- Briefing "Ukraine: Financing of reconstruction and the role of the EU budget"
- Briefing <u>"Budgetary aspects of EU defence policy"</u>
- In-Depth Analysis "Recovery and Resilience Dialogue with the European Commission"
- Briefing <u>"EU Financial assistance to Africa and Latin America 2021-2027"</u>
- Briefing <u>"Human and Financial Resources in Decentralised EU Agencies"</u>
- In-Depth Analysis "The rising cost of European Union borrowing and what to do about it"
- Briefing <u>"Statistical own resources: Examples of the gender pay gap and food waste"</u>
- At a Glance <u>"The tools for protecting the EU budget from breaches of the rule of law: the Conditionality</u> Regulation in context"
- Briefing <u>"Financial impact of the war in Ukraine: current and future challenges for the EU budget"</u>
- Study "The tools for protecting the EU budget from breaches of the rule of law the Conditionality Regulation in context"
- Briefing <u>"EU external action and crisis response: is the EU budget fit for purpose?"</u>

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- Study <u>"The future of digitalisation in budgetary control"</u>
- At a Glance "Nomination for a Member of the European Court of Auditors: Italy"
- Workshop Proceedings "Preventing EU funds from reaching sanctioned individuals or entities"
- Briefing "Cohesion Policy Calendar (2021-2027 and 2014-2020 Programming Periods)"
- Study "Due Diligence in EU Institutions' Own-Account Procurement: Rules and Practices"
- Workshop Proceedings <u>"Sponsorships of EU Presidencies: Stocktaking and Perspectives"</u>
- Briefing "Nominations for Members of the European Court of Auditors: Sweden and Portugal"
- Briefing <u>"EU assistance to Ukraine and scrutiny of the EU financing provided"</u>
- Briefing "Preventing EU funds from ending up with individuals or companies tied to the EU-Russia sanctions list"
- In-Depth Analysis "The EU Emissions Trading System: Method and Effects of Free Allowance Allocation"
- Briefing "Nominations for Members of the European Court of Auditors: Belgium and Finland"
- At a Glance <u>"Transparency and accountability of EU funding for NGOs active in EU policy areas within EU territory"</u>
- Briefing "Nominations for Members of the European Court of Auditors: Denmark, Spain and Ireland"
- Study "Transparency and accountability of EU funding for NGOs active in EU policy areas within EU territory"
- At a Glance "Nominations for Members of the European Court of Auditors: Slovakia"

- At a Glance "The use of contract agents in decentralised EU agencies"
- Briefing "Sponsorships of EU Presidencies: stocktaking and perspectives"
- Briefing "The Role of Investigative Journalism to Uncover Fraud and Corruption in Europe"
- Study "The use of contract agents in decentralised EU agencies"
- At a Glance "Nominations for Members of the European Court of Auditors: Hungary"
- Briefing "Preventing EU funds from ending up with individuals or companies tied to the EU-Russia sanctions list"

Forthcoming publications

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- Study "Contingent liabilities for the EU budget: an updated appraisal"
- Study "The performance framework for the EU budget: further steps towards the mainstreaming of horizontal priorities and for delivering an outcome/impact-oriented approach"

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 Study "Lessons learned from the implementation of crisis response tools inside the EU, from a budgetary control point of view"

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